Road accidents in comparison to other countries

†1334. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of road accidents in India is more than other developed and developing countries of the world;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the position of road accidents in India as compared to developed and developing countries; and

(d) the main reasons for these road accidents and upto what percentage each reason is responsible for the road accidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (c) The available road accidents data in respect of some developed and developing countries during the year 2003 and 2004 are as under:-

SI. No	Name of the country	Number of oad accidents	
		2003	2004
1	Brazil	1,04,863	1,12,457
2	Canada	1,56,904	1,51,321
3	Switzerland	23,840	22,891
4	Germany	3,54,534	3,39,310
5	France	87,000	85,400
6	United Kingdom	2,14,030	2,07,410
7	India	4,06,726	4,29,910
8	Japan	9,47,993	9,52,191
9	New Zealand	10,615	10,368
10	Singapore	6,443	6,845
11	Sweden	18,365	18,029
12	United States	19,63,000	19,00,000

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(d) Road accidents and fatalities are caused due to a number of factors such as driver's fault, mechanical defects in the vehicles, fault of pedestrians, bad road, bad weather etc. The break up for the year 2004 is detailed below:-

Cause of Accident	% of Total Accidents
Driver's fault	79.55
Pedestrian fault/fault of passengers	1.30
Mechanical defect in vehicles	1.76
Bad roads	1.24
Other factors like bad weather, cattle, fallen trees, road blockage, non-functioning of signals, absence of rear reflectors/road signage	16.15

National Highways in the Country

1335. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of National Highways in the country particularly those passing through Himachal Pradesh;

(b) the funds allotted by Government to the States for maintenance of the National Highways during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) the details of the funds remaining unutilized with States, State-wise; and

(d) the steps taken by Government for utilization of the funds allotted to the States for maintaining their National Highways perfectly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) The State-wise details of the National Highways in the country are given in Statement-I *(See* below).

(b) and (c) The State-wise details of the funds allotted for maintenance and repair of National Highways in the country and the funds remaining unutilized in the last three years is given in Statement-ll *(See* below).

(d) The State Governments are requested to expedite the progress of the works to ensure utilization of the allocated funds.

Statement-I

State-wise details of National Highways

SI. No.	Name of State	National Highway No,
1	2	3.
1	Andhra Pradesh	4,5, 7, 9, 16, 18, 43, 63, 202, 205, 214, 214A, 219, 221 & 222
2	Arunachal Pradesh	52, 52A & 153